

**State of Hawaii**  
**DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**Division of State Parks**  
**Honolulu, Hawaii**

May 9, 2008

Board of Land and Natural Resources  
State of Hawaii  
Honolulu, Hawaii

**SUBJECT:** Request for Approval of a Special Use Permit for the Journey Foundation for an unused Portion of Kalanai Section of Malaekahana State Recreation Area for a Youth Leadership-Training Program

The Journey Foundation is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization. They have requested use of an unused portion of Malaekahana State Recreation Area from June 30, 2008 to August 9, 2008 to conduct a summer youth leadership training program.

The summer leadership program is designed for youths ages 12-18. Journey describes their program as one that, "The youths learn to more fully realize and reach their greatest potential. Journey provides challenging hands-on experiences in a supportive environment that is safe, fun and exciting. Their objective is to help teens set the course for a lifelong journey toward becoming leaders who influence their families, schools, and communities and who are better, more respectful stewards of the land and other resources they have been in which they have been entrusted"

They propose to set up temporary yurts to house 30 youth and 9 staff and provide on-site security twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The Journey Foundation partnered with BYU-Hawaii to provide a leadership program for Oahu's youth. A new youth group arrives weekly.

**ITEM E-2**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board approves the request with the following conditions:

1. Provide its own sanitation equipment independent of the parks sewage system.
2. Provide liability insurance in an amount not less than two million dollars aggregate and one million dollars per occurrence that names the State of Hawaii as an additional insured.
3. Provide weekly service efforts within the park, as directed by the Division of State Parks.
4. Pay fees set by the Chairperson.
5. Comply with any conditions set forth by the Department.
6. Abide by all Federal, State, and City and County of Honolulu laws, administrative rules, and ordinances.

Respectfully submitted,



DANIEL S. QUINN  
State Parks Administrator

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL:



LAURA H. THELEN, Chairperson



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The Journey Foundation is requesting the use of part of Maleakahana State Park, Kalanai section, for youth leadership programs during summer 2008 from June 30 – August 9. This would be a “pilot program” to show highest and best use of the area and Journey’s commitment to the youth of Hawaii. Consideration of an ongoing, regular agreement is requested.

### **Executive Summary**

The Journey Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit and a dynamic, youth leadership-training program that is actively engaged in preparing tomorrow’s leaders. Through adventurous summer impact experiences and engaging year around activities, youth ages 12-18 are able to more fully realize and reach their greatest potential. Journey provides challenging, hands-on experiences in a supportive environment that is safe, fun and exciting. Their objective is to help teens set the course for a lifelong journey toward becoming leaders who influence their families, schools, and communities and who are better, more respectful stewards of the land and other resources they have been in which they have been entrusted.

Journey has partnered with BYU-Hawaii to provide a program for the youth of Oahu and more specifically, the youth of the North Shore. This research-tested model has been successful for more than five years in taking youth through a process of self-discovery... helping them realize what they are truly capable of and giving them the confidence to reach their greatest potential.

### **Proposal**

There is currently an unused part of Maleakahana (Laie/mauka of campsite “B” area) in the Kalanai section. The present campsite inventory will not be affected (see map attached.) Journey wishes to rent the area on a per head basis.

The program’s specific use would include:

- Setting up temporary yurts to house 30 youth & 9 staff. All evidence of camp would be removed at the end of the program
- A new group of youth arrives each Monday and leaves each Saturday morning
- Journey requests the use of the south gate to minimize the group’s in and out impact on other park guests
- Bringing our own sanitation equipment independent of the parks sewage system.
- Journey’s liability insurance will name the State of Hawaii as additionally insured
- Journey will provide 24/7 on site security for the duration of the stay

State parks would receive:

- Lease fees of an area not currently in the revenue stream.
- Journey would improve and maintain the south entrance road and beautify the camp area we occupy
- Service efforts within the park, as directed by the park service, would take place each week by camp participants thus improving the overall park
- Public accolades for partnering with a program that benefits Hawaii's youth

Your consideration is appreciated. The timeline for a decision is the first part of May in order for preparations to be made to host young people at Maleakahana beginning this June. Please feel free to call Kyle at (801) 361-4760 with any further questions. Mahalo.